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Since our laſt arrived a Holland Mail.

From the London Gazette, May 13.

Stockholm, April 29. O.S.

ACCORDING to our laſt Letters from Gottenburg, the Swediſh Officers are ſtill there.

Vienna, May 11. N.S. The Auſtrian Army was to have paſſed the Taro in the Night between the 3d and 4th inſtant, in the Face of the Enemy, General Nadaſti being to have led the Avant Guard that was to have been compoſed of all the Huſſars, Waraſdins, and Horſe and Foot Grenadiers; but by Letters of the 4th inſtant it appears, that M. de Gages, who, according to the Reports of the Deſerters, has not above 15 or 16000 Men, retired the Day before, and left the Paſſage free, but the Route that he has taken is not yet known, or at leaſt not yet confeſſed. In the mean while M. de Caſtellar has gained the Genoeſe Territory, having made 200 of his Officers do the Duty of common Grenadiers, in forming the Rear Guard. It is aſſured by private Letters from Mantua, that, upon the Retreat of M. de Caſtellar, the Number of Deſerters from his Corps was ſo conſiderable as to have made it unſafe to let them enter into the Town, eſpecially as ſo many Spaniſh Priſoners were already in the Place. The Reaſon why the Auſtrians deferred ſo long the Paſſage of the Taro, was principally the Want of Carriages, which the Parmeſan Peaſants had removed out of their Reach. Prince Lobkowitz ſet out the Day before Yeſterday for the Army upon the Rhine.

Copenhagen, May 14. The Mediterranean Squadron was Yeſterday under Sail, in order to fall down into the Sound, but the Wind not ſerving, they were forced to caſt Anchor a few Miles from hence, near the Coaſt of Sweden.

Hague, May 20. M. Bathiani has effectuated his Retreat without any Loſs or Moleſtation, and has found it adviſable to puſh the ſame quite to Breda, where he is ſuppoſed to have arrived laſt Night or this Morning. The Marſhal has left nothing behind him, except a few Men in Fort Marguerite and in the Citadel of Antwerp.

Inverneſs, May 5. It is thought that our Stay here will not be long, from the Diſpoſitions which are making for carrying forward Proviſions, of which a very conſiderable Quantity has been amaſſed here.

Commodore Smith received Yeſterday Advice from Capt. Jefferys, of the Scarborough, dated Deer Sound, in the Orkneys, the 27th paſt, that a Ship from New England was put in there, ſent Expreſs from the Governor to his Grace the Duke of Newcaſtle, with an Account, that one of his Majeſty's 20 Gun Ships, with a Privateer, had taken a Galleon, which was by far the richeſt Prize that had been made ſince the War began, ſhe having on board a Million Sterling in Bullion. The Captain of the Scarborough writes further, that every thing was quiet in thoſe Parts, the Rebels having been gone above a Fortnight from thence.

From Wye's Letter, London, May 13.

The Commons agreed to the Report of the Reſolutions of Friday on the Supply, viz. That 500,000 l. be granted to his Majeſty effectually to ſuppreſs the preſent Rebellion, and to carry on the War with vigour by Sea and Land, and to make good ſuch Treaties as are or ſhall be made in 1746, and 40,880 l. for General Staff Officers for 1746.

In a Committee on Ways and Means reſolved, that one Million be granted to his Majeſty out of the Sinking Fund, and came to ſeveral other Reſolutions, which are to be reported this Day.

To-day the Commons agreed to the Report of the Reſolutions on Ways and Means, viz. That one Million be granted out of the Sinking Fund for 1746, and that his Majeſty be enabled to raiſe 500,000 l. by Loan or Exchequer Bills, to be charged on the ſaid Aids to be granted next Seſſion of Parliament. Paſt the Bill of Attainder and ſent it to the Lords, who read it a firſt time.

They tell us from the Hague of the 19th inſt. by way of Poſtſcript, that a Report was juſt then ſpread that the French had taken Poſſeſſion of Antwerp, the Confirmation and Particulars of which they expect by the next Poſt.

From the General Evening Poſt, May 13.

Hague, May 19. The Count de Roſenberg and Baron de Reyſchack, the Imperial Miniſters here, received laſt Night an Expreſs from Marſhal Bathiana. The Letters were dated at Contick the 17th in the Evening, adviſing, that the Army was then in Motion to take Poſſeſſion of a Camp near the Village called Merkſem, about a League from Antwerp, the Artillery having alreay taken the Breda Road. A Garriſon was left in the Citadel of Antwerp, with Orders to defend it to the laſt Extremity, and the Troops in the Town which were numerous, have joined the Army. Count Caunitz, who is indiſpoſed, is ſet out for Berg-opzoom, whither many Civil Officers and moſt of the richeſt Inhabitants of Antwerp were preparing to follow him. We hear the French King made his publick Entry into Mechlin laſt Tueſday. Marſhal Saxe very narrowly eſcaped being carried off a few Days ago, with all his Equipage, by a Party of Auſtrian Huſſars. The Plot was ſo well laid, that it is generally thought it could not have failed of Succeſs, had it not

been for the treachery of a Peasant, who discovered the Affair an Hour before it was to have been executed, so that the Hussars were obliged to content themselves with three Carriages of the Marshal's Baggage, with many Horses, and a sumptuous Coach belonging to the Duke of Chartres: They found Means to get the Peasant, and hanged him on the first Tree on their Way.

Letters from Brussels suggest, that the Secret of the Operations at the opening the Campaign was entirely in the Breast of Count Saxe, whose Motions were censured by the French Generals, as dividing the Army to no Purpose, and thereby fatiguing the Troops, but it has since appeared, that his great Detachment towards Burch was to force the Allies to detach, to support their Garrisons, and the Corps of Troops at Dendermonde are to march on the other Side of the Scheld to the Tete de Flandres, while Part of the Grand Army attacks Fort Margaret upon the Rupel.

From the *National Journal*, or *Country Gazette*.

LONDON, *May* 13.

The Accounts of the Rebels which are printed at Edinburgh, and those that are transmitted hither by private Letters are so contradictory, that we shall not impose upon our Readers by giving them the former, because it is not quite safe for us to give them the latter; and very probably the latter may be as much exaggerated in favour of one Side, as the former appear to be in favour of the other; therefore we must wait till Saturn, that is to say, Time draws Truth from the Bottom of that deep Pit, where the Antients fabled her to lie concealed. Certain it is that there have been some late Skirmishes between them and the King's Troops; because a Gentleman of Distinction here has an Account of the Death of his Brother who was killed in one of them, and was an Officer in his Majesty's Service.

After comparing the several Advices received from the Spanish West-Indies, by the Way of Jamaica, it is thought a very difficult thing to determine, whether the English Ships now in the South Seas are Commodore Barnet's Squadron, or whether they are the Fame and Winchelsea Privateers; but be this as it will, it will make no Difference to the Nation if their Captures amount to any thing near what those Letters mention, since in that Case this will prove the most fortunate Expedition undertaken during the present War.

From the St. James's Evening Post, *May* 13.

Petersburg, *April* 12. *O. S.* The Dutch Resident continues persecuting the Court about the Treaty of Commerce; but our Ministry are at present so very busy, that they can't attend to such Matters; especialy as it is very uncertain whither, at the Conclusion of the Campaign in Brabant, the Dutch will have any Commerce to treat about: Their Neutrality-Negotiation, and its natural Consequences, being very well understood here.

LONDON, *May* 13.

It is said that Capt. Boscawen, in his Majesty's Ship the Hampton-Court, has looked into Brest-Road, which was entirely clear of Shipping; so that it is concluded that Squadron was sailed, but whither not known; but it is conjectured they will steer their Course towards Cape Breton.

They write from New-England of the 3d of March, that about 1000 French and Indians appeared before Annapolis Royal, but they thought proper to retire without making any farther Attempt.

The Government have taken upwards of 30 Transports into their Service, which are to be employed in carrying Forces to Flanders; and the Foot-Guards have received Orders to be in Readiness at the first Notice, a Part of them being to be draughted off in a few Days.

We hear the Rebel Prisoners now confined in Newgate and New Prison, being 39 in Number, will take their Trials at the ensuing Sessions at the Old Bailey.

And that those confined at Hull and other Places in the Country, being upwards of 250 in Number, will be tried at the next Assizes in the several Counties where they are imprisoned.

They write from York, that several Persons who were taken up there on Suspicion of assisting the Rebels on their March Southwards, have been discharged by Order of the Government.

We hear that 25,000 l. per Annum will be settled by Parliament on his Royal Highness the Duke of Cumberland and his Heirs-male, as a proper Testimony of national Gratitude for his late signal Service in extinguishing the Rebellion in Scotland.

A Confirmation is come, that the Woolwich Man of War has taken a French Man of War of 36 Guns from the Havanna, which, as the Sailors phrase it, is ballasted with Pieces of Eight, and supposed to be very rich.

The Merrimack, from Antigua for London, is taken and carried into St. Malo's.

The Neptune, Bruce, from Barbadoes for London, is also taken and carried into St. Malo's.

Extract of a Letter from Exeter, *May* 3.

All Day Yesterday a very smart Engagement was fought off Budley, between some English and French Men of War, which made the Houses shake all along the Coast. We heard the Firing at Heavy-Tree and Exeter. I could distinguish Broadside and Broadside in my Grounds, tho' 9 Miles from the Sea. The Fire continued till between 10 and 11 at Night, when the Firing ceased; but it begun again this Morning at 4. The Success on either Side is uncertain; but late last Night three loud Huzzas was heard by a Gentleman coming over Hall-Down from on board the Ships.

Bank Stock 122 1 half. India Stock 165 1 half. South Sea Stock 95 1 half.

From the London Evening Post, *May* 13.

Milan, *May* 3. The Report that the Corps under the Marquis de Castellar had been entirely cut off, proves false; for on the contrary, we now learn, that the Marquess has reached Sarzane in the State of Genoa, and that General Nadasti, who was in Pursuit of him, is come back to Reggio, with a great Number of wounded Men; from whence we conclude, that the Spaniards made a brave Defence in the several Skirmishes they had with the Irregular Troops under that General.

LONDON, *May* 13.

The last certain Account we had of Commodore Barnet was from the Cape of Goodhope, where his Ships were refitting at the End of last Summer; and as that

was the Season to prepare for a Paſſage round Cape Horn, and the Place is exceeding proper to ſail from on ſuch an Expedition, there is great Probability that the News of his being now in the South Seas will meet with Confirmation.—— This is an effectual Way for Great Britain to make War upon the Houſe of Bourbon.

EDINBURGH, *May* 19.

By the lateſt Accounts, his Royal Highneſs the Duke had not marched from Inverneſs on Friday laſt. We hear 20 Battalions and Kingſton's Horſe are to take their Rout by Fort Auguſtus, and five Regiments thro' Badenoch.

The Heſſians are expected at Bruntiſland and Leith in a few Days from Perth, and are to be replaced by the Royal Scots, Lord Semple's Regiment, and the old Buffs.

On Friday laſt the Venerable Aſſembly did again convene, and his Grace the Earl of Leven the High Commiſſioner repaired to the Meeting with the uſual Retinue and Ceremonies, produced the King's Commiſſion to his Grace, which was read and recorded, then his Majeſty's Letter to the Aſſembly, which was read with all due Reverence, as follows:

GEORGE R.

RIght Truſty and Welbeloved, We greet you well. The Experience we have at all Times had, and the freſh Proofs you have given, on occaſion of the preſent unnatural Rebellion, of your ſteady Attachment to Our Perſon and Government, and of your Zeal for the Support of the Proteſtant Succeſſion, engage Us to return you Our hearty Thanks: And We do moſt readily countenance, with Our Royal Authority, your Meeting at this Time, not doubting but you will continue to give Us Marks of your Loyalty and Affection to Us, by exciting the People under your Charge to a due Senſe of the Bleſſings they enjoy under Our Government, and to a juſt Abhorrence of the pernicious Deſigns of thoſe who have endeavoured to overturn our moſt holy Religion, to ſubvert the Laws and Conſtitution of this Kingdom, and to introduce Popery and arbitrary Power.

We have again made Choice of Our Right Truſty and Entirely Beloved Couſin, Alexander Earl of Levin, to be Our Commiſſioner, and to repreſent Our Perſon in this Aſſembly; who, from his known Zeal for Our Service, his firm Adherence to the true Intereſt of his Country, and the Fidelity and Prudence with which he has already diſcharged this important Truſt, We are perſwaded will be acceptable to you.

We do, on this Occaſion, repeat to you the Aſſurances of Our unalterable Reſolution to maintain the eſtabliſhed Church of Scotland in the Poſſeſſion of all their juſt Rights and Privileges; and as We promiſe Ourſelves, by the Bleſſing of Almighty God, that a ſpeedy and effectual End will be put to the Rebellion, the Peace and Tranquillity of the Country reſtored, and all Our Subjects again made happy in the full Enjoyment of their Civil and Religious Rights, We have the firmeſt Reliance on your doing every thing on your Parts that may contribute to the attaining of theſe deſirable Ends. And ſo We bid you heartily Farewel. Given at Our Court at St. James's, the 30th Day of April 1746, in the 19th Year of Our Reign.

By His Majeſty's Command,
HOLLES NEWCASTLE.

Directed, *To the Right Reverend and Welbeloved, the Moderator, Miniſters and Elders of the General Aſſembly of the Church of Scotland.*

His Grace made a Speech to the Aſſembly, in which he ſignified, That his Majeſty intended to continue the Payment of 1000 l. Sterling for the Reformation of the Highlands and Iſlands. A proper Return was made to his Grace's Speech by the Moderator.—— A Committee was appointed to form the Draught of an Anſwer to the King's Letter, and an Addreſs to his Majeſty on the Victory obtained by the Army under his R. Highneſs the Duke of Cumberland. Delayed taking under their Conſideration what concerns the Offices of Procurator for the Church and principal Clerk to the General Aſſembly till Tueſday next, and in the mean time appointed Mr. George Buchan to officiate as Clerk.——Appointed Mr. Hugh Blair, one of the Miniſters of the Canongate, to preach on the Lord's Day in the Forenoon before his Grace, and Mr. James Mackie, Miniſter of St. Ninians, in the Afternoon.—— Heard an Appeal from a Sentence of the Synod of Lothian and Tweeddale, reverſing the Sentence of the Presbytery of Linlithgow in favours of the Rev. Mr. Walter Punton, and ſuſtaining the Call to Mr. Archibald Macaulay to be Miniſter at Queenſferry: After having heard Parties at great length, by a great Majority affirmed the Sentence of the Synod, and appointed the Presbytery of Linlithgow to proceed to the Trials and Settlement of Mr. Macaulay.

On Saturday the Anſwer to the King's Letter was read, and after ſome Alterations approved, and ſigned in the Name and by the Appointment of the Aſſembly by the Moderator, and preſented to his Grace the Commiſſioner, who promiſed to tranſmit it to the King under his Cover.

Heard the Caſe of the united Pariſhes of Cortachie and Clova, which having become vacant by the Tranſportation of their former Miniſter, and Lord Airly the Patron having ſuffered the ſix Months to elapſe, a Petition was preſented by the Earls of Airly and Strathmore, with ſome Heads of Families, to the Presbytery of Forfar, craving, that as the Right of ſupplying that Vacancy was veſted in the Presbytery *tanquam jure devoluto*, they would make Choice of Mr. William Brown Probationer. At the ſame time another Petition was given in by ſeveral Elders and Heads of Families for ſettling Mr. Alexander Badenoch as their Miniſter. The Presbytery agreeing to give their Call and Preſentation to Mr. Brown, the Elders proteſted and appealed to the Synod of Angus and Mearns, who reverſed the Sentence of the Presbytery, and appointed a Moderation at large, excluding ſuch as had been guilty of the Rebellion. But the Presbytery thinking themſelves aggrieved, appealed to the Aſſembly, who, after hearing Parties, and a Detail of the State of that Pariſh, examined into by the Presbytery ſince the Meeting of the Synod, by which it appeared that the moſt part of the Pariſhioners had been acceſſory to the Rebellion, unanimouſly reverſed the Sentence of the Synod, and appointed the Presbytery to proceed to the Trials and Settlement of Mr. William Brown; at the ſame time ordered the Thanks of the Aſſembly to be given to that Presbytery for their Care of the Church in that Corner.

On Friday laſt David Fitz-Gerald, who deſigns himſelf a Lieutenant in Sir John Bruce-Hope's Regiment of Foot, was ſent to Priſon, by a Warrant from the Right Hon. the Lord Drummore, upon an Information from the Clerk of the Cuſtoms at Port-Glaſgow, that he had preſented an Order from Sir Everard Faulkener for 50l. Sterl. in his favours, to the Collector of the Cuſtoms there, and received Payment thereof, which, by comparing the Subſcription of that Order with Sir Everard's other Subſcriptions, is ſuſpected to be a Forgery.

☽ This Day, the 11th Day of the Moon, it is high Water at Leith, Forenoon, at 9 o'clock, 54 M. Afternoon, at 10, 18 M. Tueſday, Forenoon, at 10, 42 M. Afternoon, at 11, 6 M. Wedneſday, Forenoon, at 11, 30 M. Afternoon, at 11, 54 M.

ADVERTISEMENTS.

¶§¶ That the Ship *The JOHN and MARGARET of Leith*, Capt. George Steel Maſter, lies at Carter's Back-door, LONDON, taking in Goods and Paſſengers for the Port of LEITH, and is to ſail upon the 2d Day of June next preciſely without Convoy.

The Ship is a prime Sailer, mounts 16 Guns, and has excellent Accommodation for Paſſengers, &c.

By the Truſtees for the Creditors of MERCHISTON, BLAIR and LETHEM,

The TRUSTEES, at the earneſt Deſire of the CREDITORS, being determined to make a final Dividend at Lammas next, of all the Truſt-Eſtate: They hereby advertiſe the Debitors to, and Purchaſers of the ſaid Truſt-Eſtate, by the 9th Day of June next, to pay up what they owe, to the End that the proper Schemes of Diviſion may in due Time be made out; hereby certifying all who ſhall be deficient in Payment at the Day appointed, that they ſhall be proceeded againſt by the utmoſt Diligence, for the Satisfaction of the Creditors, who are poſitive to indulge no further Delays, nor admit any Excuſe whatever.

N. B. The Debitors and Purchaſers are to expect no more, or other Advertiſements from the Truſtees, who will proceed to Diligence againſt all Deficients immediately after the 9th of June next.

To be SOLD by Roup at the Houſe of Colington, upon Thurſday next the 22d of May, at 9 in the Morning, to the higheſt Offerer,

All Kind of HOUSHOLD-FURNITURE, conſiſting of Bed and Table Linnen, Brewing Looms, Milk Veſſels, &c.

☞ Any Perſon who borrowed Books from the deceaſt Mr. George Gibſon late Miniſter at Colington, are deſired to return the ſame to his Relict, or to Mr. Dawſon Profeſſor of Hebrew in the College of Edinburgh.

To be SOLD at Corſtorphin, upon Thurſday next the current, at 10 o'Clock before Noon, by publick R within the Houſe lately poſſeſt by the deceaſt Sir Will Dickſon of Preſtonfield,

Variety of neat and faſhionable FURNITURE, Beds, Feather-beds, Blankets, Mahogony Tables, Cha Mirrors, Silver Plate, Table and Tea China, Bed Table Linnen, Drawers, Chimneys, and all Sorts of chen-Furniture, moſtly new and of the beſt Kinds. alſo, Body Cloaths and Body Linnen, a Collection of Bo Pictures, Prints, and Curioſities. The Roup is to co nue till all is ſold off.

The ſaid Houſe, Office houſes and Gardens thereto long are likewiſe to be SETT. For Particulars enqu at John Watſon Writer to the Signet.

†‖† That the Noblemen and Gentlemen in Concert preſerving the GAME in *LAMMERMUIR* are to m at Haddington in the Houſe of Baillie McCaull on the Friday of May inſtant, in order to concert Meaſures the further Preſervation of the Game this Seaſon.

‖*‖ Upon the 9th or 10th of March laſt, a big SPANIE DOG, white coloured, with Liver coloured Ears and ſ veral Spots of the ſame kind over different Parts of Body, gelded, and anſwers by the Name of *CAPTAI* yo ng from Edinburgh along with Gilbert Kilpatric Newcaſtle Carrier, cut his Rope at Kelſo and ſtraye Any who can give Intelligence of ſaid Dog to ſaid Carrie o to the Author of this Paper, ſo as he may be recovere to the Owner, may expect a ſuitable Reward.

Juſt arrived from England,

A curious Parcel of CHEESE of all Sorts, and gre Variety and Choice of fine Engliſh pickled BEEF a PORK, likewiſe BACON, HAMS of Pork, a TONGUES, from the ſame Place; alſo a freſh Cargo exceeding fine Yorkſhire BUTTER: And which are n to be ſold at Mr. *POLLOCK*'s new Vaults in the Paun market at *Leith*, on reaſonable Terms, where conſta Attendance will be given from 7 o'Clock in the Morni 'till 12 at Noon, and from 2 'till 7 in the Evening, by

R. BIGLAN
from *London*.

☞ *And whereas* one of the ſaid Vaults or Warehou was attempted to be broke open and forced, *feloniouſly*, ſome Perſon or Perſons, with Intention to ſteal Goods fro thence, in the Night between the 9th and 10th inſtan This is therefore to give Notice, That if any ſuch Perſo or Perſons will make Diſcovery of His, Her, or The Confederates, concerned in the above Attempt, ſhall Proof and legal Conviction thereof, claim, and be hereb entitled to demand and receive the Sum of *One Hundre Pounds Scots* from, (and recommended to Mercy by) *Ralp Bigland*.

Leith, May 10th 1746.

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